

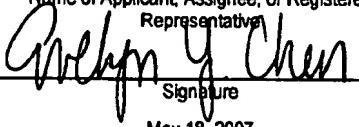


IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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AMENDMENT

This Amendment is filed in response to the Office Action dated January 18, 2007, which provides for a response period ending April 18, 2007.

A Petition for Extension of Time, to extend the response period for the Office Action, dated January 18, 2007, for one additional month to May 18, 2007, is being filed concurrently.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.